



BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF GEORGIA

A PROCLAMATION

BULLYING PREVENTION AWARENESS MONTH

- WHEREAS:** Bullying is physical, verbal, sexual, or emotional harm or intimidation intentionally directed at a person or group of people; and
- WHEREAS:** Bullying occurs in neighborhoods, playgrounds, schools, and through technology such as the internet and cell phones; and
- WHEREAS:** Various researchers have concluded that bullying is the most common form of violence, affecting millions of American children and adolescents; and
- WHEREAS:** Targets of bullying are more likely to acquire physical, emotional, and learning problems than those who are not bullied, and students who are repeatedly bullied often fear activities such as riding the bus, going to school, and attending community activities; and
- WHEREAS:** Children who bully are at a greater risk of engaging in more serious violent behaviors; and
- WHEREAS:** Children who are victims of bullying often feel less secure, more fearful, and intimidated; now
- THEREFORE:** I, BRIAN P. KEMP, Governor of the State of Georgia, do hereby proclaim September 2019 as BULLYING PREVENTION AWARENESS MONTH in Georgia.

In witness thereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the Executive Department to be affixed this 27th day of June in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Nineteen.



B. Kemp

GOVERNOR

ATTEST

Timothy K. Fleming

CHIEF OF STAFF